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To those that think they are in charge:

There is no need to create a new sanctuary on Kauai and Niihau!!!! The whale population is plentiful and already protected with rules and regulations. The greatest enemy of the whales in the Hawaiian waters is the navy and their unregulated use of sonar!! A sanctuary will not stop them from practicing their art of war on man kind and the planet.

Turtles are also protected and very plentiful. They do need help, a lot of them are covered with tumors from polluted water from agricultural run-off, chemicals from golf courses & swimming pools on the waterfront and sewage treatment plants injecting gray-water that is contaminated with untreated sewage water, bleach, chlorine, and phosphates from laundry-mats that go directly in to underground streams and lava tubes that flow onto our near shore waters and coral reefs.

The first forty years of my life i never saw a monk seal on Kauai and now it is a common thing to see them on the beaches surrounded by people. They too are protected with rules and regulations.

The bottom line is, a new sanctuary on Kauai and Niihau will only further take away our cultural rights as human beings to provide food for our families and nourishment for body mind and souls.

A very concerned Islander, Ned

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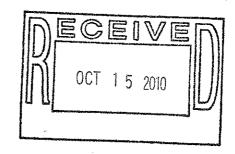
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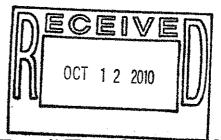
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O All Sanctuary is No Take
Comments: More en force heart is

herded of all the present rules
More Hawaiians on the D.A.R. board,
Review the Kapu System it worked

+ is sustainable

No Access Zones: Create zones for species where there is no public
access (no fishing, boating, tours, swimming, etc.)
O No Zones
• Yes, create Zones
O Unsure Comments: This makes he sense to me It is not the rec. Fishermen thand the shorkelers that are depleting
Should Sanctuary "Vision" include plan for reducing its size or scope as species are removed from endangered status or reach pre-determined population levels In light of the rapidly increasing populations of most of the species listed in the Sanctuary's "Vision", the future relevance of the Sanctuary is questionable. There seems no current reason for it to expand. It is future relevance of the Sanctuary is questionable. There seems no current reason for it to expand. It is understandable that there will continue to be a need for volunteers to continue watching the waters and to report on violations of the existing laws. Those laws and regulations are working, but there is no purpose to piling more laws and regulations on top of them. O No reduction
O Reduce size
O Unsure
Comments:

Additional Span our Fed & for more
enforcement. Enforcement officers in
other states Alaska, Oregon are not DINR,
They are State Police the do a good
Job. Punish the landowners that
allow Sitting + toxic effuent into
the Ocean (Robinson Sugart Shrimp farm),
we have the rules in place to protect
Marine themas mammas by internation al
Law. Just CKout the Punishment for taking
Please mail this to the address below. MUST BE RECEIVED BY
OCTOBER 16th:

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